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Department of Transportation

PROJECT BUSINESS MATTERS
Time Extension – Reimbursement
Action Item

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WAIVER REQUEST – CTC RESOLUTION G-01-21
CTC STIP GUIDELINES
SECTION 65 – TIMELY USE OF FUNDS

STATE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM
WAIVER-02-32

ISSUE

Resolution G-01-21, *STIP GUIDELINES*, adopted by the California Transportation Commission (Commission) on July 12, 2001, stipulates that funds programmed for project development or right of way components of local grant projects are available for expenditure only until the end of the second fiscal year following the fiscal year in which the funds were allocated.

The Commission may extend the deadline for reimbursement no more than one time and only if it finds that an unforeseen and extraordinary circumstance beyond the control of the responsible agency has occurred that justifies the extension. The extension will not exceed the period of delay directly attributed to the extraordinary circumstance and will in no event be for more than twenty (20) months.

City of Indio is requesting a twenty (20) month time extension for the period of reimbursement for the right of way and design components of one local TCI project. The TCI funds expired on June 30, 2001. The post fact time extension for twenty (20) months is from July 1, 2001 to February 28, 2003.

SUMMARY

The Commission approved Resolution MFP-98-31 on June 8, 1999 allocating \$381,000 TCI funds for this project. Attachment I describes the delays that have resulted in the extension request. Attachment II is a letter from Congresswoman Bono in support of the time extension.

RECOMMENDATION

The Department recommends the Commission approve the time extension.

July 2002

POST FACT
REQUEST TO EXTEND THE PERIOD OF REIMBURSEMENT
CTC STIP GUIDELINES, SECTION 65 – TIMELY USE OF FUNDS

Recipient Project Description	PPNO #	Amount Allocated	Prog Yr.	Recipient's Stated Reason for Delay	Extension Request	Department Recommendation
City of Indio Indio Intermodal Transportation Center	08-5131	\$381,000 MFP-98-31 6/8/99	96/97	Protracted negotiations with Union Pacific Railroad delayed site purchase until May 2001. Since that time, Phases I and II Environmental Assessments have been conducted, other right of way and design issues are being resolved, but the work could not be completed by the June 30, 2001 deadline. The 20-month extension will allow the City to secure right of way to access the site, relocate utilities and complete project design.	20 Months 7/01/02 to 2/28/03	Approve. The twenty months requested will enable the agency to resolve pending right of way issues and to complete design.

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Congresswoman Mary Bono

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Congress of the United States
44th District, California

April 17, 2002

Dianne McKenna
Chairperson
California Transportation Commission
1120 N Street, MS 52
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Chairperson McKenna:

As you consider a time extension for the City of Indio for the Design of an Intermodal Transportation Center, I would like to extend my support for an extension, and highlight a few key benefits of this important program.

This program will provide a vital service to a large segment of our population that rely on public mass transit. While it will be located in the City of Indio, it will have an impact throughout the Coachella Valley.

Perhaps most importantly, the City of Indio has proceeded cautiously and diligently with this project. Work has continued on the design of the program, design of the facilities and securing access to the railroad's mail line, as well as ingress and egress to the site. A complicated, multi-modal project such as this typically take years to support, so I greatly appreciate your careful consideration of this twelve month time extension to allow Indio to complete the right of way acquisition and the design of the facilities.

I understand the constraints under which you operate and thank you in advance for your careful consideration of this time extension request. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me directly or have your staff contact Michael Sullivan of my office at 202-225-5330. Thank you for your help in obtaining this important time extension for the City of Indio.

Sincerely,

MARY BONO
Member of Congress

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